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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Takanobu SUGIYAMA et al.  
Title: INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE HAVING VARIABLE  
COMPRESSION RATIO MECHANISM AND CONTROL METHOD  
THEREFOR  
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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION**  
**TRANSMITTAL**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) is the nonprovisional utility  
patent application of:

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Enclosed are:

- [ X ] Specification, Claim(s), and Abstract (26 pages).
- [ X ] Formal drawings (9 sheets, Figures 1-15).
- [ X ] Declaration and Power of Attorney (4 pages).
- [ X ] Assignment of the invention to NISSAN MOTOR CO., LTD.
- [ X ] Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet.
- [ X ] Information Disclosure Statement.

- ☒ Form PTO/SB/08 with copies of 2 listed reference(s).
- ☒ Application Data Sheet (37 CFR 1.76).
- ☒ Claim for Convention Priority with 1 certified Japanese priority document.

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Claims:					
Independents	4	- 3	= 1 x	\$86.00 =	\$86.00
If any Multiple Dependent Claim(s) present:			+	\$290.00 =	\$0.00
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Respectfully submitted,

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